

State of California—Health and Human Services Agency Department of Health Care Services



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SUBJECT: Annual DMC-ODS County Compliance Unit Findings Report

Dear Assistant Director Denering:

The Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) is responsible for monitoring compliance to the requirements of the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Waiver and the terms of the Intergovernmental Agreement operated by Ventura County.

The County Compliance Unit (CCU) within the Audits and Investigations Division (A&I) of DHCS conducted a review of the County's compliance with contract requirements based on responses to the monitoring instrument, discussion with county staff, and supporting documentation provided by the County.

This letter serves as notification that Ventura County has sufficiently met all regulations and contract requirements during FY 2021-22. During the review, no deficiencies were found. No further action is required at this time.

If you have any questions or need assistance, please contact me at becky.counter@dhcs.ca.gov.

Sincerely,

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COUNTY REVIEW INFORMATION

County:

Ventura

County Contact Name/Title:

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Date of DMC-ODS Implementation:

12/1/2018

Date of Review:

4/13/2022

Lead CCU Analyst:

Becky Counter

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N/A

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REVIEW SCOPE

- I. Regulations:
 - a. Special Terms and Conditions (STCs) for California's Medi-Cal 2020 section 1115(a) Medicaid Demonstration STC, Part X: Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System
 - b. Code of Federal Regulations, Title 42, Chapter IV, Subchapter C, Part 438; section 438.1 through 438.930: Managed Care
- II. Program Requirements:
 - a. Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-21 Intergovernmental Agreement (IA)
 - b. Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 Intergovernmental Agreement (IA)
 - c. Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders Services (MHSUDS) Information Notices
 - d. Behavioral Health Information Notices (BHIN)

ENTRANCE AND EXIT CONFERENCE SUMMARIES

Entrance Conference:

An Entrance Conference was conducted via WebEx on 4/13/2022. The following individuals were present:

Representing DHCS:

Becky Counter, Associate Governmental Program Analyst (AGPA)

Representing Ventura County:

Courtney Lubell, Special Projects Manager

Ophra Ashur, Compliance Sr. Manager

Shanna Zanolini, Administrator

Genevere Zapeda, Clinical Nurse Manager of Quality Assurance Unit- Utilization Review

Lansing Pillsbury, Principal Accountant

Maryza Seal, Contract Manager

Dani Yomtov. Program Administrator

Narcisa Egan, Assistant Chief Financial Officer

Jose Duran, Provider Relations

Janet Kaplan, Senior Program Administrator, Prevention Services

Juan Mendoza, Program Administrator

Doreen Fekete, Program Administrator

During the Entrance Conference, the following topics were discussed:

- Introductions
- Overview of review process
- Overview of services provided

Exit Conference:

An Exit Conference was conducted via WebEx on 4/13/2022. The following individuals were present:

 Representing DHCS: Becky Counter, AGPA

Representing Ventura County:

Courtney Lubell, Special Projects Manager

Ophra Ashur, Compliance Sr. Manager

Shanna Zanolini, Administrator

Genevere Zapeda, Clinical Nurse Manager of Quality Assurance Unit- Utilization Review

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Janet Kaplan, Senior Program Administrator, Prevention Services

Juan Mendoza, Program Administrator

Doreen Fekete, Program Administrator

During the Exit Conference, the following topics were discussed:

- Submitting follow-up evidence
- Due date for evidence submission

SUMMARY OF FY 2021-22 COMPLIANCE DEFICIENCIES (CD)

Section:		Number of CD's
1.0	Availability of DMC-ODS Services	0
2.0	Coordination of Care	0
3.0	Quality Assurance and Performance Improvement	0
4.0	Access and Information Requirements	0
5.0	Beneficiary Rights and Protections	0
6.0	Program Integrity	0

TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE

Ventura County did not request Technical Assistance for FY 21-22.